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FROM the SIDELINES

By TAD TARG

WARNING!

I FEEL MY DUTY TO WARN THE PUBLIC ABOUT SOME 12,500 MANIACS ON THE LOOSE.

They come from all walks of life and, practically, every country in the world, including Australia, of course.

They are of various shapes and forms, but, mostly, wet and miserable.

Males are in the majority but — ladies beware! — the weaker sex has no immunity against this lunacy.

They operate anytime, day or night, but preferably Sundays.

Their crazy ways take them into extraordinary ventures.

They'll stop at nothing to reach their objective.

They'll beat: fences, police cordons, high tension wires, referees, wind, snow, rain and rain and rain and more rain — once they make up their minds.

Although seemingly a disorganised lot, they actually venture in organised chaos.

Some form themselves into crazy brotherhoods, ritually known as Prague or APIA; others — more commonly — as Canterbury or Bankstown.

They are led by shrewd ringleaders called officials.

Over them, hiding behind the anonyminity of Federation, preside the "High Priests".

They are constantly being incited into action by the "green paper" — their own, particular publication.

But — putting all jokes aside — these seemingly foolish people are really quite happy to be afflicted with their incurable and infectious disease.

And they're determined to spread it.

So — beware my innocent friend! — the next victim may be you.

It's so easy to become a soccer fan.

GIVE THEM TIME...!

A LITTLE PATIENCE — PLEASE!

Neerlandia lost 5—2 and Pan Hellenic 2—1 in their Ascot Thousand matches against First Division clubs.

The critics of the promotion and relegation system got to work immediately trying to prove their point.

But, what did they expect?

Second Division clubs to beat the Firsts?

What, then, would the divisions be for?

Even in Europe a newly-promoted team must rebuild to "stay" with the higher division.

Why not give Neerlandia time to build and, generally, a fair go?

After all they lost by a smaller margin than Concord lost to Canterbury (by that I don't mean to say that Neerlandia IS a better team than Concord).

And Pan Hellenic, according to reports, could have won their match if not a little overanxious in front of goal.

One, lone writer was right, I believe, in his summing up of the situation.

He said that one mistake we possibly have made was the retention of a 14-team competition.

This could be so.

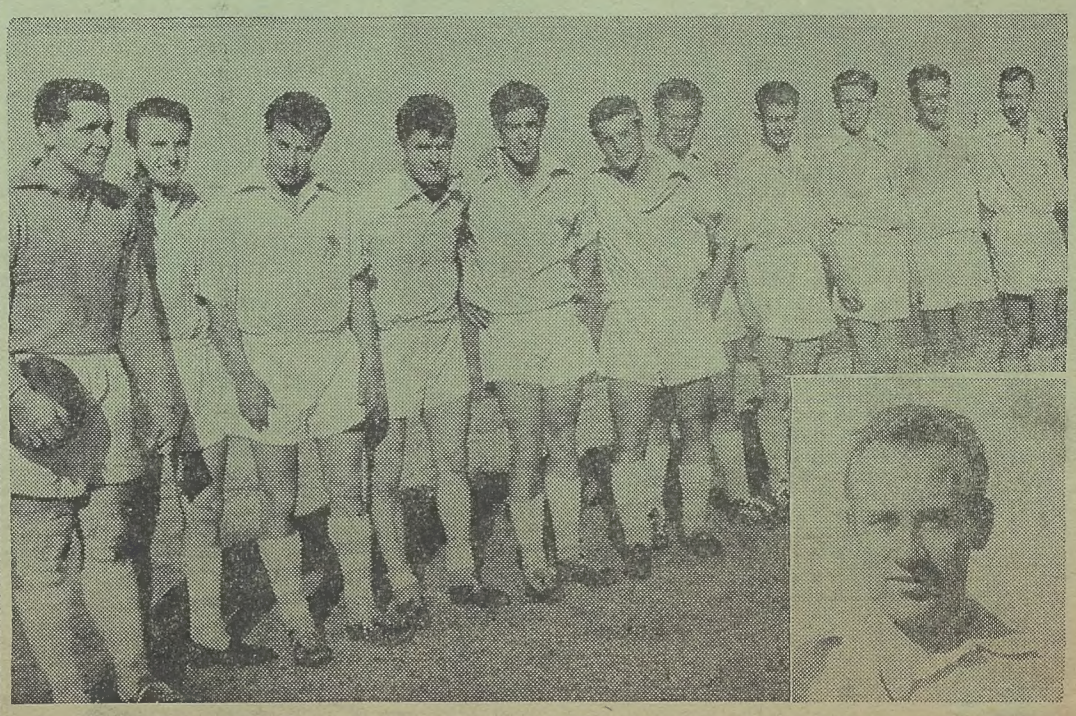
When we are ready to cut back to 12 teams in each division and, also, when our new crop of juniors "produced" now is ripe to join the senior clubs — the standards between respective divisions will find their proper level.

Promoted teams will be no problem to the higher divisions.

For the time being they have to import players to bridge the gap.

And, I believe, they are willing to do so.

PRAGUE — 1959 PREMIERS



THE PRAGUE TEAM which won the Federation 1959 premiership: L to R: R. Lord, L. Scheinflug, W. Tamandl, A. Saghi, K. Jarels, E. Schwartz, H. Ninaus, J. Purcell (did not play in grand final), S. Sherwin, K. O'Neil, K. Hiron (captain). INSET: playing coach Leo Baumgartner, who was the season's leading goal scorer. H. KATSER PHOTO

Grand final crowd Australian record

The huge crowd (12,451) which witnessed the APIA v Prague grand final last Sunday at Henson Park, in a blinding rainstorm created an Australian record for a competition fixture

Another record was set when gate receipts reached £2434.

The game was somewhat marred by the weather.

But it lost nothing as a spectacle.

It contained all the enthusiasm, skill and atmosphere associated with such a match anywhere else in the world.

Scotland, where their national team is often inspired to victory by the now famous "Hampden Roar", have close rivals in APIA's hordes of supporters, whose thunderous roar follows every goal of their team.

No doubt those of you who missed this great soccer rivalry will be hoping for a repeat performance in the Ascot Cup.

However, many other clubs will have other ideas.

For instance, Prague will have to overcome Gladesville, who have yet to be beaten by the 1959 premiers.

Hakoah and Budapest also have been building their teams.

So whoever reaches the final on october 25 the clash is sure to be another thriller.

Soccer promotion is like any other promotion involving the public.

To be a success you must give the public what it wants.

So far as the Federation is concerned, the public want a good brand of football.

DRAWCARDS

The public want the Saghis, Baumgartners and Marstons.

Fans are not too fussy about the venue, as has been shown by the huge crowds flocking to suburban Henson Park.

APIA and Prague have now become synonymous with good football and we venture to say that thousands of soccer enthusiasts would travel to Toongabbie if those two names were featured in a final there.

Further, because of Australia's great migrant intake, the population has now become very cosmopolitan.

The success of the Federation has been due to the fact that they have catered for that type of fan.

They have attrected Italians, Greeks, Germans, British, Australians, Austrians, Hungarians, Dutch, Czechs, Poles and other nationalities to soccer.

These nationals have been encouraged to sponsor teams under the Federation banner.

Therein lies the success of Federation soccer, a sport destined for greater popularity in Australia.

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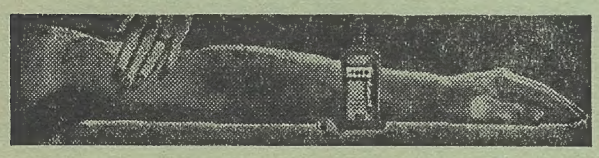

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Fact or fiction-let's get the score straight

An article in a recent issue of a sports magazine took the Federation to task over its administration.

While some of its points may be true, we hasten to pin-point inaccurate statements which could mislead the public.

These points include:

1. "A few clubs control the Federation."

It is not true a few clubs "control" the Federation.

A few club administrators control the Federation as they do English soccer, the constitution of which is the basis of Federation control.

2. "It (The Federation) does not promote soccer as it should".

The Federation's promotions, Ampol, Ascot and the competition proper have been a huge success.

Ampol's profit was over £4000, after only one round of the Ascot series the profit was £1000, while in the last three competition matches the total gate receipts were almost £6000.

3. "The Federotion may become the same high-handed dictatorial body that its forerunner was".

The constitution provides that the Federation could never become a high-handed dictatorial power as the Council (of clubs) is the highest authority.

4. "The Management Committee was elected at the beginning of the season after weeks of lobbying".

The management was elected in 1957 — "Federation Year" — and re-elected in 1958.

The fact that the same officials were again elected suggests that the majority of clubs desired it that way.

5. "Six clubs of the First Division have no representation on the Management Committee.

There are more than 30 clubs without a representative on the Management Committee.

The constitution, as in England, provides for the best representatives to be elected by a majority, irrespective of club interest.

6. "Hector Byrne votes with a Hakoah bloc".

Mr. Byrne has repeatedly opposed the so-called bloc of Nathan and Sternberg if he considered it in the interest of soccer.

7. "The best and most logical solution would be if every club sent a delegate to the committee".

Soccer was at one time controlled by club delegates from all clubs.

They spent their meetings squabbling over selfish club interests.

That was immediately before formation of the company known as the NSW Football (Assn.) Ltd.

8. "The best NSW players could not play against the Hearts as they were suspended in London".

"London" did not suspend any player at present playing in this State.

"London" is not even remotely interested.

9. "The same Federation 'forgave' Gladesville and shelved the matter".

"The Federation would 'get' Gladesville sooner or later".

It was the Council of Soccer Clubs which "forgave" Gladesville, who eventually paid the full penalty as prescribed.

There has never been any suggestions in the Management Committee to "get" Gladesville.

10. "Transfers should be banned, as they are in England and Europe".

Transfers are common features in England and Europe.

What about Kopa, Charles and thousands of others.

Hearts transferred their captain McKay to Tottenham for £24,000 and purchased Fotheringham for £8000 from Arsenal.

11. "The Federation does nothing about the serious soccer brawls and riots on soccer fields which seem to be spreading".

The Federation has fined, suspended or placed on bonds clubs which have featured in brawls.

Several players are out for "life" for similar offences.

Summing up, Federation officials are perhaps not the perfect administrators.

But what they have done in three years no-one has previously achieved in the history of soccer in Australia.

If some clubs are dissatisfied, then they have recourse in Council and at election time.

Otherwise they must accept majority decisions — that is, if they really believe in democracy.

In one breath the writer of the article said the best solution would be for every club to send a delegate to the Committee", then goes on to say

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FOLLOW YOUR TEAM THROUGH ASCOT SERIES

Prague
Granville
PRAGUE 9—3 (September 16)

Gladesville
Bankstown
GLADESVILLE 2—0 (September 26)

REDFERN OVAL, 3 pm
October 10

Corrimal
Budapest
BUDAPEST 2—1 (September 16)

Syd. Austral
Neerlandia
SYDNEY AUSTRAL 5—2 (September 26)

REDFERN OVAL, 1.15 pm
October 10

Hakoah
Balgownie
HAKOAH 5—2 (prev. 2—2) (September 30)

Auburn
Pan Hellenic
AUBURN 2—1 (September 26)

REDFERN OVAL, 1.15 pm
October 11

A.P.I.A.
North Side
APIA 3—2 (September 23)

Canterbury
Concord
CANTERBURY 6—1 (September 26)

REDFERN OVAL, 3 pm
October 11

SEMI-FINAL
REDFERN OVAL, 1.15 pm
October 18

SEMI-FINAL
REDFERN OVAL, 3 pm
October 18

FINAL — 3 pm
REDFERN OVAL
October 25

PLAY-OFF 3rd and 4th PLACE — 1.15 pm

Ascot Preview

BUDAPEST v SYD. AUSTRAL

The winner of this unexpected quarter-final will have the opportunity of sharing the limelight, as it will be appearing in the two final Ascot thousand days and, to both clubs, this match means very much.

Sydney Austral were very unimpressive a fortnight ago when they thrashed, in the second half, a very unexperienced Neerlandia combination.

They will have to play much better if they are to be considered a threat to this very ambitious and brilliant Budapest team, which knocked Corrimal out of the competition.

By L. Gautier

Budapest, can play beautiful football and the team just did that a month ago when it made Corrimal look a ragged side in the first round of the Ascot series.

For once the defence outshone the forward-line and Joe Csardas was an inspiration to his side.

Main feature of interest in saturday's match will be former Newcastle goalie Sokoloff's first appearance for Budapest.

This White Russian played for an Australian XI thi season and will be a welcome addition to his new club, but I doubt whether Austral's forwards will really test him as I cannot see the latter winning this match.

Austral have dropped off badly since the end of the first round and cannot be considered a top team at this stage.

Sydney Austral's slim hopes of success lie in their defence's solidity, as it cannot be denied that if Gerry De Vries has a good day he is quite capable of inspiring his full-backs to great things.

But this versatile goalie tends to get discouraged if things goes wrong.

If Galambos, Schauman and Co. can break through in the early stages, I am afraid that Sydney Austral will offer very little resistance to this potentially strong Budapest XI.

I am tipping BUDAPEST to win, and win convincingly, as the team is playing at the peak of its form and must rate as one of the top combinations of the moment.

HAKOAH v AUBURN

Having seen Auburn display such shocking from against Pan Hellenic in the first-round game and watched Hakoah romp through Corrimal in the Premiership semi-final, only to go down narrowly to APIA in the final in a spirited match, I should have no trouble in forecasting an easy win for Hakoah.

But both teams have shown such inconsistent form throughout the season that any prediction, as to Sunday's outcome, is a hazardous one.

Inconsistent

Hakoah played like champions in the second-half of their replay with Balgownie and also played with great purpose in the last half hour of their clash with APIA.

But here again their fine showing was only temporary as their first half in both matches was sub-standard and unworthy of a premiership finalist.

I feel that, despite of obvious shortcomings, HAKOAH should beat Auburn.

The latter are only a shadow of their former glorious selves, as the shocking match with Pan-Hellenic showed.

The Auburn boys could not set a foot right that day and should have gone down to the Second Division runner-ups.

But Auburn have the knack of playing good soccer when opposed to "name" teams and as Hakoah, too, only play their best football when it really counts this match should be a very exciting one.

Hakoah have, at least, a team worthy of their big following and prestige and next year, with one or two additions, the club should really go places from the very start of the season.

Peter Hrncir will be more used to our soccer and Bobby Burgoyne, who proved such a sensation late in the season, will no doubt be efficient early next year.

His past matches have more than made up for his quite disappointing early games.

On his day he can be a devastating centre-forward.

Makings of a classic

PRAGUE v GLADESVILLE

A Prague - Gladesville knock-out fixture cannot fail to be a big crowd-pleaser, as the match has all the ingredients of a classic.

Prague are the 1959 Premiers and Ampol winners and their opponent a very dour team which twice has held them to a draw this season.

Prague deserved their grand final win last week as they gave a far more polished display than their unlucky rivals.

The team is definitely the best in the competition bebause it has that slight edge in ball control over all other sides.

"Grand slam"

I feel that Prague will win the "grand slam" as Canterbury did last year, but I have no hesitation in saving that Saturday's match might prove their toughest on the road to that achievment.

Gladesville will be playing the game of their lives and, if past clashes are any indication, Saturday's game should be a beauty, with very little in it at the finish.

I am tipping PRAGUE to win by the odd goal, as Baumgartner and his forwards should beat the remarkable Gladesville defence at least twice.

But I have strong reservations as to whether the rather jaded Villes forwards will be able to break through the Prague defence, where O'Neil is giving such sterling displays.

Bill Hume will, no doubt, play his usual roving game in the inside position and this could bother Prague.

This gifted Scotsman always excels himself in top company.

New Zealander Joe Brown has not been too consistent lately and will have to give a better account of himself if he 's to trouble Prague's smooth-running halves, Jaros and Scheinflug.

Young Bob Bellamy is the surprise-packet of Gladesville's forward line late in the season

He is an opportunist and his speed and clever footwork should earn him a regular first team berth next year, when Gladesville will be a team to reckon with and a hot favorite, even at this early stage, to make the semi-finals.

Summing up: Saturday's main Ascot quarter-final match will be an interesting one.

There will be no quarter from one side or the other, but the Premiers, keen to bag the treble, are favored to make the semis.

You can rest assured that this match will reach great heights both in technique and intensity, as there is tremendous rivalry between the clubs

Burgoyne's chance

Burgoyne could prove his team's match-winner on Sunday, because I doubt if Duff, who has reached the veteran stage, will be able to hold him.

Marston could not when they met, and I know that Duff will have one of his toughest afternoons of the season with the lanky Burgoyne.

Auburn will, again, rely on their forwards, but Quested, Hall and Morrow were a jaded lot against Pan Hellenic.

On that performance and they could not be given the slightest chance of upsetting Strahm, Aird, Wallsh and Kearns, one of the slickest defences in business today.

But as I said above, Auburn play well when they meet top opposition and their rivals on Sunday are just that.

For that reason I believe that last year's grand finalists will put up a good display, but I must tip HAKOH to enter the semis where they should, once again, meet their old rivals, APIA.

And what a beauty that clash will be if the premiership final was indication.

APIA v CANTERBURY

APIA, still smarting from last Sunday's grand final defeat in the slush and mud, will be a team with a mission this Sunday.

They must keep on winning all their Ascot matches in order to have another crack at their now traditionnal rivals. Prague, and I feel that this added incentive will work wonders and that the talented and likeable Leichhardt combination will be strong enough to account for the once mighty Berries.

Disappointing

Canterbury, have had a disappointing season and Sunday's match is a unique opportunity to make amends for it as this will be in some ways the "match of the last chance".

If the Berries can win then this major upset could regain them a lot of prestige and put them back in the limelight.

On the other hand, if Canterbury lose, and on all accounts they should, they will drop another step in popularity and could well start reorganising

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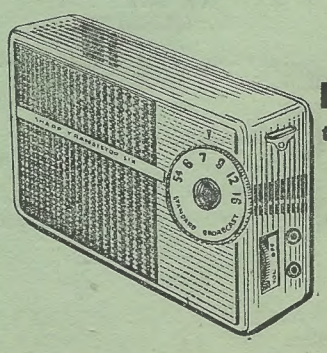

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THIS SATURDAY

Budapest v. Sydney Austral

BUDAPEST

REFEREE: H. PARSONS
LINESMEN: J. CARTER, N. JONES

(Red, white & green hoops, white shorts)

1 Goal — N. SOKOLOFF

2 Right back — G. KOSA
3 Left back — R. FLETT

4 Right half — F. LANG
5 Centre half — G. KOVACS
6 Left half — J. CSARDAS

8 Inside right — F. MELINZ
10 Inside left — L. SCHAUMAN

7 Outside right — J. LANG
9 Centre forward — J. GALAMBOS
11 Outside left — J. LORIK

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J. RUSSEL — 11 Outside left
A. SMIT — 9 Centre forward
K. FAIRBURN — 7 Outside right

W. DRAYER — 10 Inside left
W. VROLYKS — 8 Inside right

E. OSFIELD — 6 Left half
J. ESSER — 5 Centre half
E. STODDART — 4 Right half

C. MATTHYSSEN — 3 Left back
J. ABBEBROEK — 2 Right back

G. DE VRIES — 1 Goal

(Red, white & blue, white shorts)

SYDNEY AUSTRAL

LAST WEEK

GRAND FINALS

FIRST DIVISION
PRAGUE— APIA 3:2

RESERVE GRADE
CANTERBURY—HAKOAH 1:1

THIRD GRADE
FINAL (3rd replay)
CANTERB.—GLADESV. 1:1

THIS WEEKEND

REDFERN OVAL

SATURDAY

11.45 a.m. Canterbury—Gladesville (3rd Grade Final replay).

ASCOT THOUSAND
Quarter Finals
1.15 SYD. AUSTRAL—B.PEST
3.00 PRAGUE—GLADESV.

SUNDAY

11.45 a.m. Canterbury—Hakoah 2nd Grade Grand Final.

ASCOT THOUSAND
Quarter Finals
1.15 HAKOAH—AUBURN
3.00 APIA—CANTERBURY

NEXT WEEKEND

ASCOT THOUSAND
SEMI-FINALS

Sunday, October 18, at Redfern Oval.

1.15 winner Prague-Gladesville v winner Budapest— Sydney Austral.

3.00 winner Hakoah—Auburn v winner APIA—Canterbury.

Gladesville v. Prague

GLADESVILLE

REFEREE: R. PEARCE
LINESMEN: B. BUCHAN, S. SBISA

(Amber, black trim, black shorts)

1 Goal — K. HOUGH

2 Right back — J. PRETSWELL
3 Left back — R. McLELLAND

4 Right half — D. WORT
5 Centre half — J. PETTIGREW
6 Left half — B. GREENFIELD

8 Inside right — W. HUME
10 Inside left — J. BROWN

7 Outside right — B. LEWISHAM
9 Centre forward — R. BELLAMY
11 Outside left — H. ROBERTSON

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H. NINAUS — 11 Outside left
L. BAUMGARTNER — 9 Centre forward
E. SCHWARTZ — 7 Outside right

A. SAGHI — 10 Inside left
W. TAMANDL — 8 Inside right

K. JAROS — 6 Left half
K. O'NEIL — 5 Centre half
S. SHERWIN — 4 Right half

L. SCHEINFLUG — 3 Left back
K. HIRON — 2 Right back

R. LORD — 1 Goal

(White, red & blue sash, white shorts)

PRAGUE

THIS SUNDAY

Auburn v. Hakoah

AUBURN

REFEREE: G. NIELSEN
LINESMEN: J. CARTER, J. SENIW

(Green and white, white shorts)

1 Goal — W. HENDERSON

2 Right back — P. WALLACE
3 Left back — B. SMITH

4 Right half — F. DAYNEY
5 Centre half — R. DUFF
6 Left half — A. HENDERSON

8 Inside right — R. HALL
10 Inside left — L. QUESTED

7 Outside right — B. MORROW
9 Centre forward — A. BILBEY
11 Outside left — B. STAPLES

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J. FORGACS — 11 Outside left
R. BURGOYNE — 9 Centre forward
A. LEVINSON — 7 Outside right

W. WESELY — 10 Inside left
P. HRNCIR — 8 Inside Right

J. ADAIR — 6 Left half
W. WALSH — 5 Centre half
R. KEARNS — 4 Right half

J. AIRD — 3 Left back
H. STRAHM — 2 Right back

K. SPIEGEL — 1 Goal

(Yellow shirts, black shorts, yellow and white socks)

(Black & white vertical stripe, black shorts)

HAKOAH

SECOND GRADE

GRAND FINAL

HAKOAH

N. Campbell; A. Rowe, R. Mc Aleese; C. Tory, M. Schembri, H. Schussig; R. Moore, R. Such, T. Such, F. Hearn, J. Cusick.

CANTERBURY

R. Brown; R. Mason, A. Austin; S. Cousins, L. Symington, R. Bennett; D. Brown, P. Pascales, R. Pate, B. Robinson, D. Lindsay.

Third grade

FINAL

GLADESVILLE

A. Elvy; K. Darcy, J. Reid; G. Horner, J. Binet, R. Quinn; D. Matthews, M. Foster, J. Hobbs, F. Galanos, K. Sanderson.

CANTERBURY

R. Corry; M. Bell, D. Wilson; D. Brown, K. Warren, B. Osborne; D. Buchanan, J. Warren, R. Rattenbury, B. Smith, G. Stevens.

BUILD SOCCER
SMOKE ASCOT

Canterbury v. A.P.I.A.

CANTERBURY

REFEREE: S. PUNDYK
LINESMEN: W. JAMESON, M. McDONALD

(Royal Blue, gold trim., white shorts)

1 Goal — M. LEMON

2 Right back — T. NORTH
3 Left back — T. JONES

4 Right half — SHUTTLEWORTH
5 Centre half — J. CURRY
6 Left half — D. STOCKS

8 Inside Right — J. MOORE
10 Inside left — R. NEAL

7 Outside right — B. MORRIS
9 Centre forward — J. WATKISS
11 Outside left — B. SALISBURY

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F. BOTTALICO — 11 Outside left
A. De PAOLI — 9 Centre forward
I. PITTIONI — 7 Outside right

P. TURELLA — 10 Inside left
J. VASVARY — 8 Inside right

G. ALOCCA — 6 Left half
J. MARSTON — 5 Centre half
G. CINAT — 4 Right half

R. HAWKSHAW — 3 Left back
L. STEDMAN — 2 Right back

M. TRISIC — 1 Goal

(Dark red, royal blue trim, white shorts)

A.P.I.A.

Victorian News and Views

From L. K. STONE

The second semi-final of the Dolcherty Cup between George Cross and JUST ended in a 3—3 draw at Olympic Park before about 4,000 spectators.

Extra time had to be played, and as no further goals resulted, the match will be replayed next Saturday instead of the final.

It was a typical Cup-tie, fiery and rugged.

Referee Tardiff, who had an unenviable task, awarded four penalties, two to each team and sent off Zammitt of George Cross in the 85th minute of this tough encounter.

The match was televised and viewers saw players tempers aroused and more physical clashes than are normally associated with the game of soccer.

However, there were players who showed the viewers the more scientific side of the game and credit for this must go to the Vella brothers, McVain and Carrol of George Cross; Rezuuk, Bassic, Micic, and Vollman of JUST.

George Cross had to play 30 minutes extra time with virtually nine fit men — Zammitt was sent off and Toni Vella carried an injury which reduced him to practically nothing more than a passenger.

JUST did not seem to have the stamina to win this match in extra time, but on the day neither team deserved to lose.

Scorers for JUST were Negjus (2) and Bassic.

For George Cross Lolly Vella, Toni Vella and Zammitt were the goalgetters.

Melbourne Hungarian Soccer Club, who have already won promotion to the State League finished off the season with a 6—0 win over South Yarra at Middle Park on Saturday.

This win brought their total goals scored to 100 for the season, which appears to be a record in Victorian soccer.

Voting for the Argus Best and Fairest Medal was conducted by referees and I was given to understand that envelopes remain sealed until the end of the season.

Voting was restricted to the State League and it will be interesting to hear who has actually won this treasured medal.

This Sunday State League Cup semi-final: Juventus v Wilhelmina.

COMPETITION TABLES

STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	P
Wilhelm.	22	17	2	3	86	40	36
G. Cross	22	14	5	3	57	26	33
Juventus	22	14	4	4	49	22	32
Hakoah	21	14	2	5	49	27	30
Slavia	22	12	5	5	49	28	29
Polonia	22	8	7	7	37	31	23
Moreland	21	8	2	11	54	38	18
JUST	22	6	6	10	50	44	18
Box Hill	22	6	3	13	24	53	15
Footscray	22	3	7	12	31	65	13
Geelong	22	3	5	14	28	55	11
Yarra Park	22	1	2	19	27	112	4

MELB. METROP. SOUTH

Melb. HSC.	18	17	1	—	100	19	35
Richmond	18	13	1	4	71	22	27
Sth. Melb.	18	12	2	4	47	24	26
Yalbourn	17	12	1	4	63	35	25
Brighton	18	9	2	7	41	34	20
Dandenong	18	8	1	9	55	48	17
Sth, Yarra	18	4	1	13	26	57	9
Prahran	18	3	2	13	22	71	8
Park Rang.	18	3	—	15	30	87	6
Vic. Police	17	1	3	13	21	79	5

MELB. METROP. NORTH

Croatia	18	14	2	2	81	22	30
Preston	18	14	2	2	62	19	30
L. Hayduk	18	13	1	4	66	19	27
Suns. City	18	9	1	8	35	32	19
Sicilia	18	7	3	8	44	32	17
Maccabi	18	7	2	9	35	47	16
Corio	18	7	1	10	33	41	15
Coburg	18	5	4	9	30	38	14
Hellenic	18	5	2	11	31	41	12
Brunswick	18	—	—	18	9	135	—

ASCOT PREVIEW

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their whole team for next season.

Players like reserve-graders Pascales, Cousins or even third grade star J. Warren could play with distinction in the Firsts, but Canterbury need to sign on a few key players in order to climb back to the top.

In this competitive age, every player of a First Division Federation team has to be of top class, because the public has clearly indicated that it will only patronise clubs it considers are playing attractive football.

Canterbury played crowd-pleasing football last season and there is absolutely no reason why the side should not do so again.

Just a few top flighters are needed to fill in some obvious weaknesses in the present set up.

I am particularly thinking of the centre forward and wing half position.

APIA must be commended for a sensational season which has seen them rise from obscurity to fame.

This club is a living proof of the wonders a progressive committee can work.

The club lost the grand final but were never disgraced, though I thought that Voros' repeated antics did not endear him to the crowd and reflected on his team.

In my opinion APIA has not gained from his inclusion and he is giving this attractive club a bad name because of his irresponsibility.

APIA lost to a better side but I feel that they will win on Sunday.

Canterbury will find it practically impossible to break through the strong APIA defence, where Joe Marston is a tower of strength and an inspiration to his less talented team-mates.

As mentioned above, I am forecasting a win for APIA, but it will be no walk-over.

The Berries are an ambitious lot, looking forward to play the game of their lives and making the semis at APIA's expense.

PRESENTATIONS FOR JUNIORS

The Granville Junior Soccer Association will wind up the soccer season with two presentation nights to be held this month.

The first presentation will be held at the Civic Theatre, Parramatta, Thursday, October 15, and will be in the form of a film night for under 10 to under 16 teams.

Trophies will be presented to winning teams by star First Division players.

Popular Auburn goalie Billy Henderson will be M.C. for the night.

The second presentation will be a cabaret night for under 18 and All Age teams at Granville Town Hall on Saturday, October 24.

One of the most important features of the season was the co-operation between the Granville Junior Association and the Granville senior club, which if continued could well make the Granville District one of the strongest soccer areas in the State.

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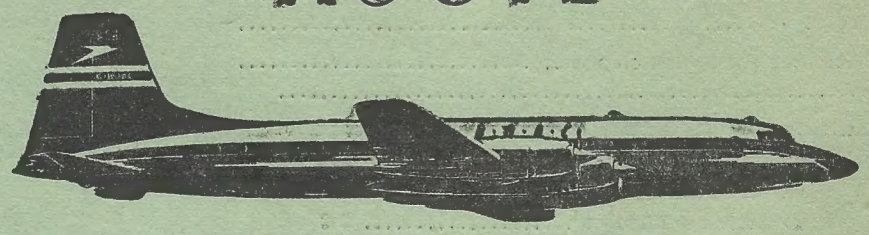

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Northern Round-up

FROM MYLES HAY

Northern premiers Wallsend meet Sydney team North Side United in a challenge match on Sunday at Crystal Palace, Newcastle.

Northern enthusiasts were dissappointed at Wallsend's showing against Gladesville last Saturday.

The home side lost 1—0 in a match which showed the Sydney club superior in all respects, especially at inside forward and wing half positions.

Last weekend, West Wallsend outplayed North Side United in an interesting encounter.

West Wallsend led 1—0 at the interval.

They ran to a 4—1 lead in the second half, and finished good winners by 4 goals to 3.

Jack Foster starred for the home side.

North Side's Johnny Wong delighted the crowd with his skilful ball manipulation on the greasy surface.

LAST WEEKEND DETAILS:

Gladesville 1 (J. Brown) d Wallsend 0.

West Wallsend 4 (J. Foster 2, T. Coates, K. Grant) d North Side United 3 (J. Wong 2, T. Haske).

Wallsend 8 (D. Morrow 5, R. Frame 2, J. Peel) d Cardiff 3 (R. Giles 2, B. Walker)

Newcastle Austral 2 (T. Baj, L. Leway) d Wallsend Reserves 0.

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that "the Federation should re-organise itself and draw on more experts instead of filling its ranks with men who know little of soccer and whose only task at present seems to be to promote the selfish interests of the clubs they represent".

The English Football League, the World's greatest soccer organisation, is controled by a Management Committee of six members, with two vice-presidents and a president.

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Congratulations Prague, Neerlandia and Toongabbie — premiers First, Second and Third Division, respectively, for season 1959.

Toongabbie will advance to Second Division, while Neerlandia will displace Concord in the First Division.

APIA deserve a special mention as they were the only club to have all three grades in the semi-finals.

St. George made a remarkable run to be pipped by one point for second place.

Pan Hellenic unfortunately lapsed after being freely tipped as promotion aspirants.

But they recovered splendidly to go under by the narrow margin of three points.

Another hard luck story is that of Manly, whose splendid effort left them within a point of the ultimate winners.

Manly may yet make the grade if the Concordia-Concord amalgamation eventuates.

Our sympathy goes to Concord whose gallant effort to avoid relegation created great interest for a long period at the bottom of the First Division.

Their splendid effort, for 60 minutes, against Canterbury recently was deserving of a better fate.

Next season

The Federation should meet immediately to prepare for the 1960 competitions.

A strong Second and Third Division should be graded immediately, even if it means 12 team competitions.

All other clubs should return to a junior soccer competition, which could be conducted on a district basis, with the winners playing off for the right to enter Third Division.

This would leave the door open for all clubs to reach top class competitions.

Melbourne sets goal record

Victoria's Metropolitan League team Melbourne HSC. capped a brilliant season by setting a State goal-scoring record of 100 goals.

Their 100th goal came up only four minutes from full time in their game last weekend against South Yarra, whom they defeated 6—1.

In addition, the team earned promotion to the State League by winning outright the Southern Division of the Metropolitan League.

The hundredth goal was well worthy of the occasion.

The ball was centred from the right wing and it swung out to just on the penalty area, from where centre forward Charlie Fekete drove it into the net, giving the opposing goalie no chance.

Melbourne players are Hungarians, the team being formed only in 1957 from Hungarians who came to Australia after the uprising in their country.

They are determined to do well in the State League and already are engaged in team building for next season.

Last week they signed on State goalkeeper Eernie Grosse from South Australia and have a number of potential "buys" on their list.

This well administered and financially sound club certainly appears to be going places.

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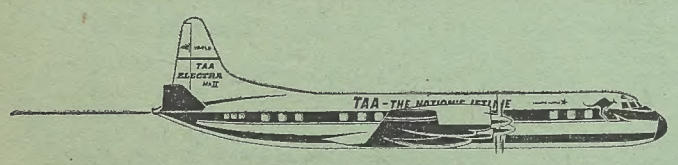

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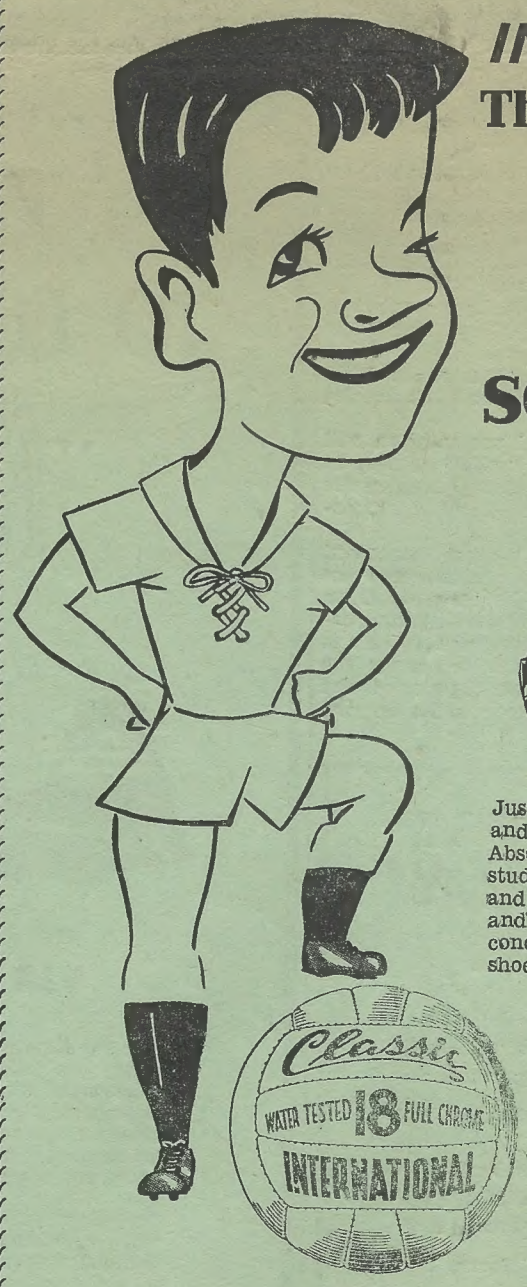

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